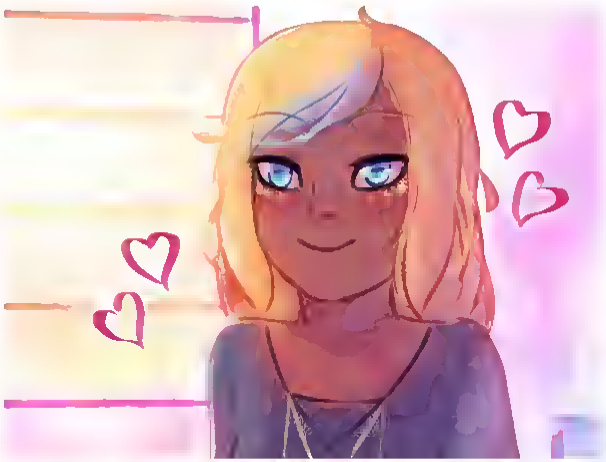
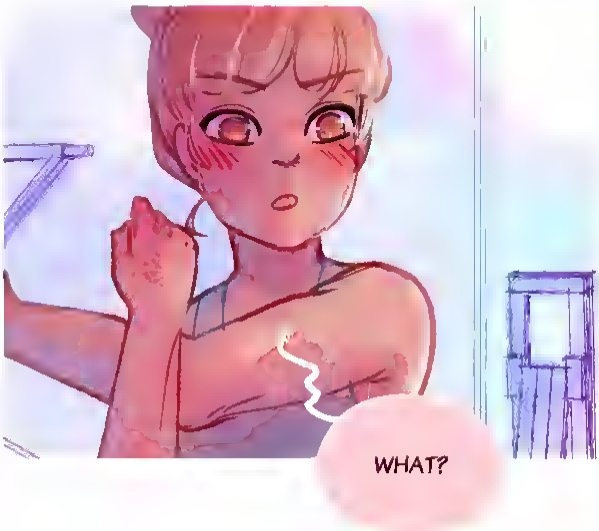
AHHHH SORRY I'M LATE!
YOU'RE NOT LATE?
YOU DON'T EVEN NEED TO BE HERE?
IT'S GREAT TO SEE YOU, OF COURSE,
BUT I'M SURE YOU'VE GOT BETTER THINGS TO DO AFTER WORK THAN WATCH ME FINISH MY STRETCHES




WHAT?

JUST THINKING ABOUT HOW WONDERFUL YOU ARE
GO AWAY, YOU'RE A DISTRACTION!

ALWAYS HUMAN

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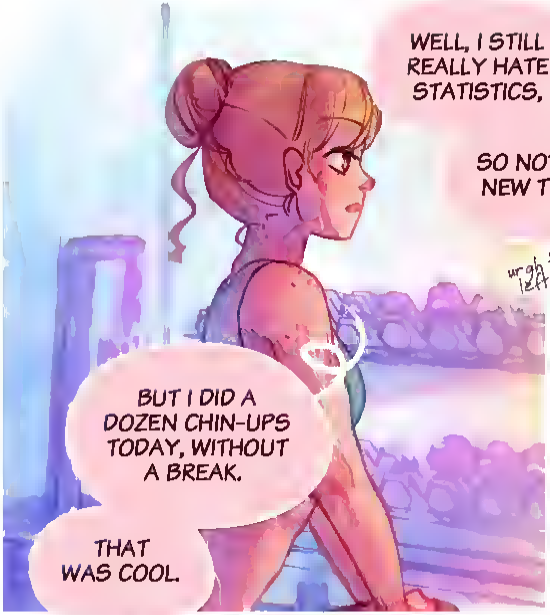
SO, HOW'S YOUR DAY BEEN?
TELL ME ABOUT YOUR DAY FIRST!
UM, OKAY?

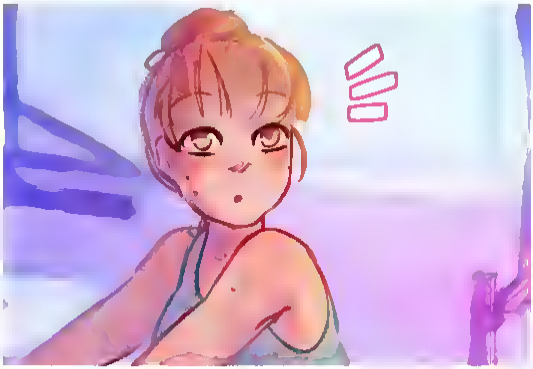


urgh there's so much left to catch up on

I'm feeling pretty good about my summer fitness plans!

ONE OF THE NICEST THINGS ABOUT HAVING GOOD NEWS IS GETTING TO TELL PEOPLE ABOUT IT

TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING
MAKES IT FEEL IRREVOCABLY REAL



WOW SUNATI, THAT'S AWESOME!
I'M SO HAPPY FOR YOU!

...
YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY WITH WORKING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS?
YOU WERE SO EXCITED TO GO HOME FOR NEW YEAR'S.
YOUR BOSS DIDN'T BULLY YOU INTO IT?

you're pretty easily influenced

WHAT? NO! I'M NOT EASILY INFLUENCED.
YEAH, YOU KIND OF ARE
AM I REALLY?
IS IT BAD?
...
OH POOP.

OKAY, UM, PUTTING THAT ASIDE
I REALLY AM HAPPY TO DO THIS.
IT SUCKS THAT I WON'T GET TO SEE MY FAMILY
BUT I'LL GET TO SPEND NEW YEAR'S WITH YOU INSTEAD.

YEAH, IT WILL BE.

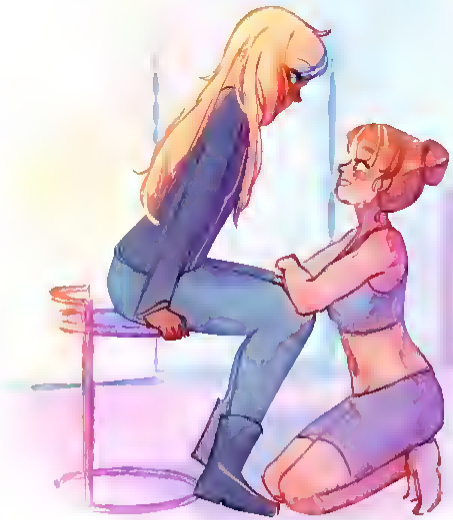
I'M ACTUALLY REALLY GLAD YOU'RE STAYING

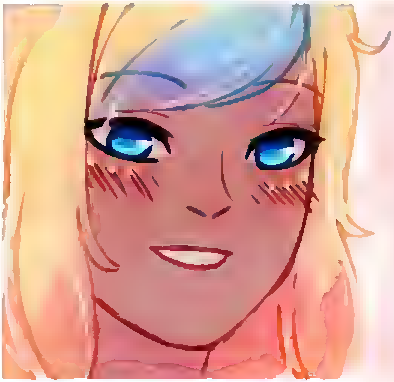
OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS THE UNIVERSITY HAS COMPLETELY EMPTIED OUT,

IT FEELS LIKE I'M LIVING IN A GHOST TOWN

AND SURE, I'VE BEEN ON MY OWN BEFORE,
I'VE SPENT MONTHS STUCK IN HOSPITAL,
BUT IT'S SO TERRIBLY LONELY WHEN YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S LEFT BEHIND,
THE ONE WHO WATCHES EVERYONE ELSE LEAVE.

I'M GLAD I WON'T HAVE TO WATCH YOU LEAVE TOO.

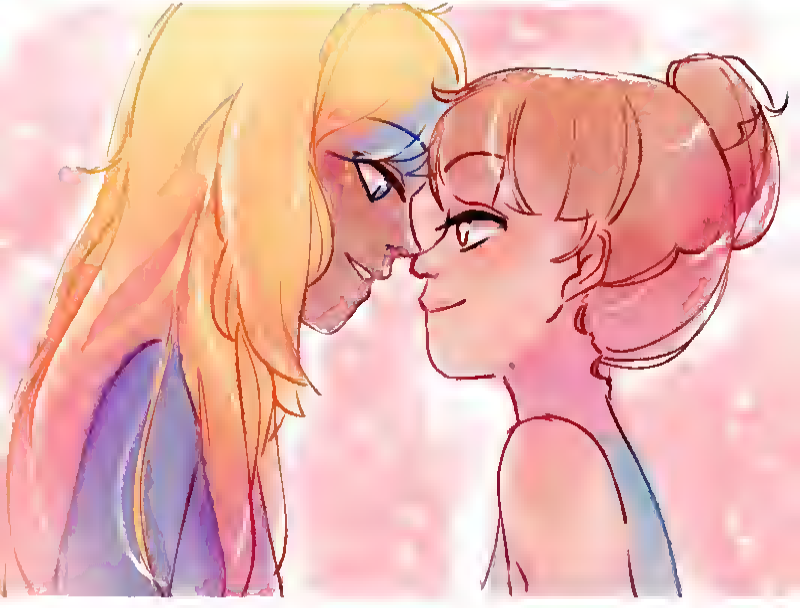


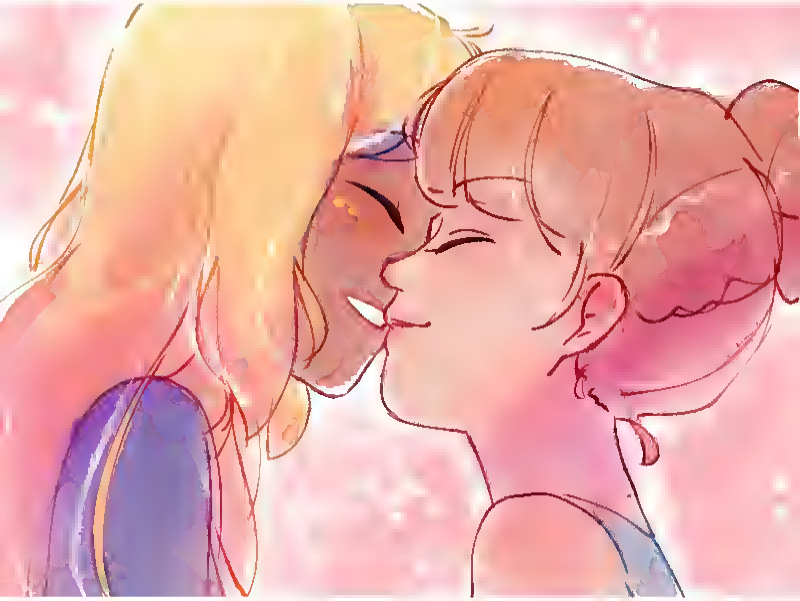


I'M GLAD TOO.

AND HERE'S THE NICEST THING ABOUT HAVING GOOD NEWS:

WHEN YOU SHARE IT WITH SOMEONE ELSE. YOU MIGHT MAKE THEM HAPPY TOO.





Thank you for reading!

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HI GUYS! WALKINGNORTH HERE.
I'VE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE ASK ME IF THEY CAN BE SPECIAL GUESTS IN THE COMIC.
I'VE BEEN THINKING VERY HARD ABOUT THIS, BECAUSE I WANT TO GIVE EVERYONE A FAIR CHANCE.
are contests fairer because they reward effort? or are giveaways fairer because they're random?
AND I DECIDED THE BEST THING IS TO HAVE BOTH A GIVEAWAY AND AN ART CONTEST
SO IF YOU WANT TO BE A SPECIAL GUEST, KEEP READING!

GIVEAWAY

RECOMMEND ALWAYS HUMAN ON TWITTER, OR TUMBLR, OR FACEBOOK, OR REDDIT, OR ANYWHERE ELSE ONLINE.

You can use the share buttons if you want

THEN EMAIL THE LINK WITH THE SUBJECT LINE 'GIVEAWAY' TO ALWAYSHUMAN.SPECIALGUEST@GMAIL.COM

FIVE WINNERS WILL BE PICKED RANDOMLY TO APPEAR AS SPECIAL GUESTS

ART CONTEST

DESIGN A CHARACTER WHO LIVES IN THE WORLD OF ALWAYS HUMAN. THIS CHARACTER COULD BE BASED ON YOU, OR COMPLETELY ORIGINAL.

POST YOUR DESIGN ONLINE. IT CAN BE A DRAWING, A PHOTOMANIP, A COSPLAY, ETC. BE CREATIVE!

EMAIL ME THE LINK TO YOUR DESIGN (PLEASE MAKE IT A LINK, NOT AN ATTACHMENT.) SEND THE EMAIL TO ALWAYSHUMAN.SPECIALGUEST@GMAIL.COM WITH THE SUBJECT LINE 'ART CONTEST'.

I WILL PICK MY THREE FAVOURITE DESIGNS TO APPEAR AS SPECIAL GUESTS WITH SPEAKING ROLES (I MAY PICK MORE IF THERE ARE MORE I REALLY LIKE.)

THREE MORE WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED RANDOMLY TO APPEAR AS (SILENT) SPECIAL GUESTS.

IMPORTANT: THE GIVEAWAY AND CONTEST WILL BOTH CLOSE ON THE TWENTY-FIRST OF SEPTEMBER, SO GET YOUR ENTRIES IN BEFORE THEN!

YOU CAN ENTER BOTH THE GIVEAWAY AND THE CONTEST BUT YOU CAN ONLY WIN ONCE.

GOOD LUCK! I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOUR DESIGNS